

CREATIVE BRIEF + SERVICE ORDER

# CONSUMED DEBT

February 23-24, 2008

**WE ARE BROKEN** – To begin the service, the band will do a cover of the Paramore song “We Are Broken.” The song talks about a desire to be whole.

**SERVICE HOST** – After the song, the service host will come on stage and give context for the song and for the topic of the day (debt). They’ll say something like, “When it comes to broken finances, it feels like we’re up against a wall or stuck in a hole. Debt especially has a way of sneaking up on us and stealing freedom like that. And when you think about it, it’s almost comical how we get into debt - comical at least until it’s your story... We’re glad you’re here...”

**DAILY SHOW CLIP** – This is clip with the comedian Demetri Martin about the way credit card companys target young people. You can watch it here:  
[http://www.thedailyshow.com/video/index.jhtml?videoid=89150&title=trendspotting-credit&tag=generic\\_tag\\_demetri\\_martin&itemId=113646](http://www.thedailyshow.com/video/index.jhtml?videoid=89150&title=trendspotting-credit&tag=generic_tag_demetri_martin&itemId=113646)

**INTERVIEW VIDEO- PATRICK** – This will be packaged with the Daily Show clip. It’s a real life example of a young guy who started racking up credit card debt.

**CHUCK MINGO** – After the video, Chuck will come onstage to begin his talk. When he comes on stage, he’ll be carryign a concrete form and all the tools for mixing concrete. As he talks, he will mix the concrete and pour it into the form around his feet. He won’t mention anything about it until later in the service.

**INTERVIEW VIDEO- NELSONS** – In his talk, Chuck will talk about the bondage that debt brings. The Nelson’s story is about the debt they got into and the toll it took on their marriage. And the freedom that they’ve found in bringing their debt to the light.

**CHUCK** – After the Nelsons video, Chuck will finally mention the concrete that has been hardneing around his feet. He’ll use it as a metaphor for how debt is bondage that we put ourselves into and we have to break free from it.

**INTERVIEW VIDEO- SHAWANA** – Shawana’s story is about the bondage of debt and the freedom and peace that comes from facing it and fighting against it. Her story ends in hope as she says, “I believe one day all my debt will be erased.”

**CHUCK** – After Shawana’s video Chuck will break out of the concrete and encourage people to take their first steps out of debt. “The first steps out of debt might be a struggle, but the longer you wait, the more time you’re giving that bondage to set around you.”

**INVITATION FOUNT** – As a response we’ll lead people in this song. The key lyrics are: “Where you lead me Lord I will follow.” We want people to say yes to following God in ownign their debt and ask Him to help them out of the bondage they’ve gotten into.

NOTE: Outline and all contents are subject to change.